SANCTIONED.

LAND SURVEYORS ORDINANCE No. 14 OF 1925.

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GOVERNMENT OF PALESTINE.

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL THE SURVEYORS ORDINANCE, 1921, AND TO MAKE OTHER PROVISIONS IN LIEU THEREOF.

No. 14 of 1925.

BE IT ENACTED by the High Commissioner for Palestine, with the advice of the Advisory Council thereof:—

Short Title.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Land Surveyors Ordinance, 1925.

Extent of Ordinance.

2. The terms "surveyor" and "survey" in this Ordinance refer to the surveying of land.

Practising surveyors to be licensed

3. (1) The High Commissioner may, on the advice of the Director of Surveys, grant licences to persons desiring to practise the profession of surveying in Palestine, and no person may practise that profession unless he is in possession of a licence so granted.

(2) The name and address of every person to whom a licence is granted shall be published in the Official Gazette upon the issue of the licence.

Suspension and cancellation of licence.

4. (1) Where it appears to the High Commissioner upon complaint of the Director of Surveys or of any person aggrieved that the holder of a licence to practise has proved himself incapable or grossly negligent in the performance of his duties as Surveyor or has been guilty of any offence involving moral turpitude, or has persistently failed to comply with the Regulations made under this Ordinance, the High Commissioner may cancel the licence to practise or direct that it shall be suspended for such time as may be fixed by him: Provided that no order of cancellation or suspension shall be made unless the surveyor complained against has had an opportunity of being heard in his own defence.

(2) A person whose licence has been cancelled or suspended in pursuance of this Section shall be deemed not to be the holder of a licence to practise under this Ordinance and shall forthwith deliver the cancelled or suspended licence to the Director of Surveys.

(3) Every order of cancellation or suspension shall be published in the Official Gazette.

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5. No survey or plan purporting to have been prepared after the date of the commencement of this Ordinance shall be receivable at a Land Registry unless it has been prepared and signed by a surveyor licensed to practise in Palestine or is a copy of such plan or survey signed as being a true copy by a licensed surveyor. Plans receivable at Land Registry.

6. (1) Any person who practises or professes to practise as a surveyor in Palestine not being the holder of a licence to practise shall be punishable with a fine not exceeding £E. 50 in respect of each transaction in which he was engaged. Penalties and disqualification.

(2) Any person against whom an order for cancellation or suspension has been made who fails to deliver up his licence to the Director of Surveys within fourteen days of the order shall be punishable with a fine not exceeding £E.20

(3) No person who is not the holder of a licence to practise as a surveyor shall be entitled to sue in any Court of Law for any remuneration in respect of a survey made by him or any plans drawn by him.

7. The High Commissioner in Executive Conncil may make, and when made, vary or revoke Regulations: Regulations.

(a) prescribing the conditions on which licences may be granted, the form of licences to be granted, and the fees payable in respect thereof;

(b) as to the method in which surveys shall be executed and plans shall be made;

(c) as to the filing by surveyors with the Director of Surveys of copies of plans prepared by them;

(d) as to any other matter requiring regulation under this Ordinance.

8. The Surveyors Ordinance 1921 is hereby repealed: Repeal.
Provided that such repeal shall not affect the validity of any licence to practise granted thereunder; but the provisions of this Ordinance shall apply thereto as if the licence had been granted under this Ordinance.

HERBERT SAMUEL
High Commissioner.

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